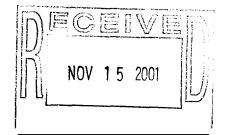


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Ann Terbush National Marine Fisheries Service Office of Protected Resources F/PR1 Permits Division 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705 Silver Spring, Maryland 20910

Protected Species Special Exemption Permits; Docket No.: **001031304-0304-01** Re:

Dear Ms. Terbush:

As director of the Queens Zoo, an accredited member of the American Zoo and Aquarium Association (AZA), I am writing to fully endorse AZA's comments with regard to the National Marine Fisheries Service's proposed regulations pertaining to the public display of marine mammals.

Thank you for this opportunity.

Regards,

Robin Dalton, Director

cc: Steve Olson, AZA